



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Examiner : Zachary C. Howard
Docket No. : 100337.54260US
Customer No. : 23911
Title : Identification of a Novel Bitter Taste Receptor, T2R76

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

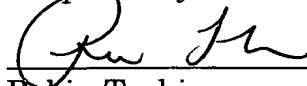
In response to the restriction requirement dated November 1, 2004 Applicants elect with traverse Group I, claims 1-3 and 16-26, drawn to isolated T2R76 nucleic acid molecules, and systems of heterologous expression. The traversal of the restriction requirement is in part. Applicants respectfully submit that the T2R76 polypeptide claims (Group III) shall be examined together with the nucleic acid claims since the search for both groups will be co-extensive.

If there are any questions regarding this response or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

If necessary to effect a timely response, this paper should be considered as a petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response.

Please charge any such fee or any deficiency in fees or credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #100337.54260US).

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